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SUBJECT: GOALS AND TASKS FOR AMBASSADOR: ROMANIA

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REFS A AND B GIVE DETAILS WHICH HAVE GOVERNED PREPARATION
HERE OF DRAFT STATEMENTS OF GOALS AND TASKS FOR EACH AMBAS-
SADOR. DRAFT TEXT FOLLOWS BELOW FOR YOUR COMMENT. PLEASE
RESPOND ASAP, BUT NOT LATER THAN SEPTEMBER 6 IN ANY EVENT.
BEGIN TEXT:

I. SUPPORT ROMANIAN INDEPENDENCE

-- DEVELOP ACTIVE CONTACTS WITH A WIDE RANGE OF COMMUNIST
PARTY AND GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS; CONVEY U.S. SUPPORT FOR
ROMANIA'S POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC INDEPENDENCE.

-- ENCOURAGE AND SUPPORT COMMERCIAL ARRANGEMENTS, SUCH AS
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ISLAND CREEK COAL CONTRACT, THAT LESSEN ROMANIA'S DEPEND-
ENCE ON USSR FOR STRATEGIC RAW MATERIALS.

-- SUPPORT CONTINUED ROMANIAN PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL
FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS, INCLUDING WORLD BANK AND IMF.

-- MONITOR SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO PRESSURE ROMANIA.

-- EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR INCREASED REGIONAL (E.G. BALKAN) COOPERATION.

II. PROMOTE INCREASED INTERNAL LIBERALIZATION.

-- CONVEY AT HIGH LEVELS THIS ADMINISTRATION'S STRONG AND LASTING SUPPORT FOR BASIC HUMAN RIGHTS.

-- RECOMMEND POSITIVE INCENTIVES THAT WOULD PROMOTE INCREASED LIBERALIZATION.

-- MAINTAIN ROMANIA'S COMMITMENT, IN CONTEXT OF BOTH HELSINKI FINAL ACT AND THE JACKSON-VANIK AMENDMENT, TO REUNITE DIVIDED FAMILIES.

-- IN CONSULTATION WITH ISRAELI EMBASSY, MONITOR ROMANIAN JEWISH EMIGRATION TO ISRAEL; ENCOURAGE A MORE CONCRETE APPROACH IN ISRAELI-ROMANIAN TALKS ON THIS SUBJECT THAT WOULD PROVIDE A BENCHMARK FOR EVALUATION OF ROMANIAN PERFORMANCE.

-- PROMOTE WIDE CONTACTS BETWEEN EMBASSY AND ROMANIAN CITIZENS, INCLUDING CULTURAL COMMUNITY. IN UNPROVOCATIVE MANNER, MAINTAIN CONTACTS WITH DISSIDENTS AND MINORITY GROUPS.

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-- CONSULT REGULARLY WITH ROMANIAN OFFICIALS ON CSCE ISSUES, AND URGE COMPLIANCE WITH FINAL ACT.

-- SEEK WAYS TO OBTAIN MORE SATISFACTORY ROMANIAN PERFORMANCE IN CULTURAL AND SCIENTIFIC EXCHANGES; ENCOURAGE AMERICANS AND ROMANIANS TO MAINTAIN LINKS ESTABLISHED THROUGH SUCH EXCHANGES.

-- ENCOURAGE VISITS TO ROMANIA BY AMERICANS OF ALL BACK- GROUND.

-- PURSUE AGREEMENTS ON VISA FACILITATION AND TREATMENT OF DUAL NATIONALS.

III. FOSTER INCREASED EXCHANGES IN TRADE AND TECHNOLOGY.

-- PROMOTE GROWTH OF TRADE BY REPORTING TRADE OPPORTUNITIES AND FACILITATING U.S. ACCESS TO ROMANIAN MARKET.

-- USE ANNUAL U.S.-ROMANIAN JOINT COUNCIL AND JOINT COMMISSION MEETINGS TO SOLVE ECONOMIC AND COMMERCIAL PROB-

LEMS, SUCH AS PAUCITY OF ROMANIAN ECONOMIC DATA AND OBSTACLES TO OPERATION OF U.S. FIRMS IN ROMANIA.

-- SEEK WAYS IN WHICH TO FURTHER ROMANIAN INTEREST IN ACQUIRING U.S. TECHNOLOGY, WITHOUT VIOLATING U.S. EXPORT CONTROLS.

-- SEEK TO FACILITATE U.S.-ROMANIAN NUCLEAR COOPERATION, WITHIN OUR NON-PROLIFERATION GUIDELINE.

IV. EXPLORE AREAS OF COOPERATION WITH ROMANIA ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES.

-- ON MIDDLE EAST, URGE ROMANIA TO PROMOTE MODERATE POLITICAL
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CIES ON THE PART OF THE PLO AND ARAB STATES.

-- SEEK ROMANIAN COOPERATION IN THE UNITED NATIONS, THE GROUP OF 77, AND NON-ALIGNED FORA IN AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE TO U.S. INTERESTS.

-- EXPLORE WAYS, IN CONSULTATION WITH DEPARTMENT, TO EXPLOIT ROMANIAN WILLINGNESS TO ACT AS GO-BETWEEN IN RELATIONS WITH COUNTRIES SUCH AS NORTH KOREA, CUBA, CHINA, AND ALBANIA.

V. EXPLORE POSSIBILITIES FOR INCREASED MILITARY CONTACTS:

-- ENCOURAGE CONTINUATION OF U.S. NAVY SHIP VISITS.

-- DISCREETLY EXPLORE ROMANIAN WILLINGNESS TO EXPAND RELATIONSHIP, FOR EXAMPLE BY EXCHANGES OF MILITARY ORIENTATION VISITS.

VI. FUTURE STEPS.

-- EXAMINE AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON WAYS IN WHICH OUR RELATIONS WITH ROMANIA CAN CONTINUE TO EXPAND.

-- SPECIFICALLY, ANALYSE THE EFFECT THAT MULTI-YEAR (RATHER THAN ANNUAL) EXTENSION OF ROMANIA'S MOST-FAVORED-NATION TARIFF STATUS IN CONTEXT WITH THE JACKSON-VANIK AMENDMENT WOULD HAVE ON ROMANIAN WILLINGNESS TO PROMOTE FREER EMIGRATION AND FAMILY REUNIFICATION. END TEXT. VANCE

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